USF New Student Guide 2020-2021: St. Petersburg Campus

As you progress through your first semester on campus, remember that we are standing by to help you successfully transition to life as a USF Bull. Here are some critical steps to complete before the first day of class and throughout your first year at USF.

Prior to the First Day of Class

MYBULLSPATH PORTAL

MyBullsPath is a one-stop student on-boarding portal that allows students to complete tasks in one place (like registering for orientation or applying for housing). The portal can be accessed by visiting this website.

ACADEMIC

- Check your course schedule, in **OASIS**, to ensure you are registered for all of the courses you need.
- Familiarize yourself with **CANVAS** and its features by looking through any documents your professors have posted, including syllabi. Be advised that some instructors do not post their syllabus until the first day of class.
- Complete any required Life Skills for Success **modules** on Canvas. Use your NetID to access Canvas under the "Learning/Teaching Tool" tab.
 - Familiarize yourself with key USF **policies**, including the Code of Conduct.
- Visit Student Accessibility Services to apply for **accommodations** for which you are eligible.

SOCIAL

- Check out this involvement platform to access important information and learn about campus events.
 - PeteSync
- Prepare for your arrival to USF.
 - Check out the **Week of Welcome and First Thirty Days** event schedule to learn how to connect with peers and get involved on campus.
 - Follow **COMPASS on Instagram** and join the **Class of 2024 Facebook page** to stay informed of campus events and connect with your peers.
- Purchase your required USF ID Card.
 - Complete the application form. Visit this **website** to learn how to obtain your USF ID.

Purchase your **parking permit**.

USF TOOLKIT FOR CONTINUITY OF STUDENT SUPPORT

Student support across all three campuses will continue. The **USF Toolkit** for **Continuity of Student Support** includes links to helpful resources.

FINANCIAL

USF recommends starting financial items at least 30 days prior to the start of classes and encourages the completion of these items at least one week prior to classes.

Login to review your financial status. Use your NetID to access OASIS.

- Submit any unsatisfied requirements for financial aid in OASIS.
- Complete your Terms and Conditions and accept your desired financial aid awards. Accept your financial aid **awards** listed in OASIS.
- Register for at least 6 undergraduate credit hours, then check to see that you have a Tuition and Fee deferment. This prevents cancellation of classes and postpones the payment due date until October 9th to pay your remaining balance.
- Check for enrollment and renewal requirements for Scholarship awards.
- Cancel any pending aid at your prior institution.

Review your **final bill** listed in **OASIS** by clicking "View Account Summary and Pay My Bill from the "Student" tab.

Establish a bank account and subscribe to **eDeposit** in **OASIS** by clicking the "Subscribe to eDeposit" link under the "Student" tab

Purchase your course supplies and textbooks.

- Learn more about how you can save money on textbooks.
- If granted in your aid package, explore the Bookstore Advance Purchase Program (BAPP).
- □ USF will automatically bill **FL Prepaid** (FLPP) for those students with a FL Prepaid plan. Once registered for classes, students can view the expected FLPP amount to be received in OASIS – on the Student tab click "Account Summary by Term". Students with FLPP will have until October 9 to pay their remaining balance.

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

Housing Move-In information: Learn more about the fall campus move-in process by visiting this **page**.

FAMILY & FRIEND EXPERIENCE

Not only is going to college a big step for students, but it is a significant leap for families too. Learn about the resources and events available for our families at stpetersburg.usf.edu/student-life/compass/familymember.

If you have questions, please email usfsp-compass@usf.edu.



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2020 FALL SEMESTER

Month-by-Month Guide

AUGUST

- To stay registered in each of your courses, you MUST attend the first day of classes and be accounted for in first-day attendance.
 - Not attending the first day of class may not automatically drop you from that course. Visit OASIS to drop courses you do not intend to keep before the drop/add deadline or you will be fee liable.
 - Online courses may have additional requirements so check CANVAS for your course expectations. You are also required to check in on CANVAS by the first day.
- Check your Financial Aid status to verify you have satisfied all requirements.
 - You are responsible to drop unwanted courses through OASIS before the drop/add deadline or you will be fee liable for those courses.
 - Check your Financial Aid eligibility, enrollment requirements, and outstanding documentation through OASIS.
 - Students without a Financial Aid Deferment will need to pay final tuition and fees by the fifth day of the term or you may incur a \$100 late payment fee and your courses may be cancelled.

SEPTEMBER

- Request Fall enrollment verification from the Office of the Registr (if needed); processing begins September 3.
- Schedule a meeting with your academic advisor to stay on track and remove any holds that will prevent you from registering for next semester.

OCTOBER

- Ensure you can register for next semester. Check your OASIS account for item (i.e. holds) that may prevent your ability to register.
- Confirm your account balance is paid in full in OASIS. Students with balances may not be able to register for the Spring term.
- Identify your registration time slot on your OASIS account under the "Student" tab. Use the Schedule Planner to make a preliminary schedule before your registration date.
- Review your midterm grades in CANVAS. Concerned about what you see? Seek immediate guidance from both your academic and financial aid advisors.
- Reapply for Financial Aid, and submit your FAFSA for the next academic year.

NOVEMBER

- Register for your Spring courses in OASIS based on your assigned time slot.
- Scholarships open for the 2021-2022 school year! Check with Financial Aid for application information.

#ONEUSF SUPPORT

Staff are available on all three campuses to support you and answer your questions. Contact information can be found below.

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2021 SPRING SEMESTER

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DECEMBER

• Check your Fall grades in OASIS. If needed, connect with your academic advisor for guidance.

JANUARY

- To stay registered in each of your courses, you MUST attend the first day of classes and be accounted for in first-day attendance.
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 - Online courses may have additional requirements so check CANVAS for your course expectations. You are also required to check in on CANVAS by the first day.
- Pay final tuition and fees by the fifth day of the term or you may incur a \$100 late payment fee and courses may be cancelled. Use your NetID to access OASIS.

FEBRUARY

- Request Spring enrollment verification from the Office of the Registr (if needed); processing begins January 21.
- Schedule a meeting with your academic advisor to stay on track and remove any items (i.e holds) that will prevent you from registering for next semester.
- Apply for on-campus housing and renew your dining contract for next year.

MARCH

- Ensure you can register for next semester. Check your OASIS account for items (i.e. holds) that may prevent your ability to register.
- Confirm your account balance is paid in full in OASIS. Students with balances may not be able to register for the Summer and Fall terms.
- Check your Financial Aid status to verify you have met all requirements and have turned in any documents needed for verification before course registration.
- Identify your registration time slot on your OASIS account under the "Student" tab. Use the Schedule Planner to make a preliminary schedule before your registration date.
- Review your midterm grades in CANVAS. Concerned about what you see? Seek immediate guidance from both your academic and financial aid advisors.

APRIL

• Register for your Summer and Fall 2020 courses in OASIS based on your assigned registration time slot.

MAY

• Check your Spring grades in OASIS. If needed, connect with your academic advisor for guidance.

*For important university dates and deadlines, please visit this **site**. Dates are subject to change.

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